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Weekly Summary of Orders and Regulations

MARCH 16 - MARCH 20, 1998

Order	Docket	Summary	Date Action Taken
		(#) Published in the Federal Register.	
98-3-13	OST-95-733	APPLICATION OF VOLGA-DNEPR J.S. CARGO AIRLINES FOR AN EXEMPTION UNDER 49 U.S.C. SECTION 40109: The Department grants Volga-Dnepr J.S. Cargo Airline (Volga-Dnepr), a foreign air carrier of the Russian Federation, an exemption from 49 U.S.C. Section 41301 to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of property and mail between the Russian Federation and New York, New York, via intermediate points, for a period of 90 days. Served March 12, 1998	3-12-98
98-3-14	OST-98-3562	The Department approves and grants antitrust immunity to the IATA agreement, subject, where applicable, to conditions previously imposed which increases general and specific cargo rates (except for add-on rates) from Hungary to points throughout the world, including U.S. points, by 15 percent to help offset the devaluation of the Hungarian forint. Served March 12, 1998	3-12-98
98-3-15	OST-98-3419	1998 U.SJAPAN COMBINATION SERVICE PROCEEDING: The Department has tentatively decided to (a) allocated 64 of the available 90 weekly frequencies available under the January 30, 1998 U.SJapan Memorandum of Consultations to American Airlines, Inc., Continental Airlines, Inc., and Delta Air	3-16-98
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Lines, Inc., as set forth in this order, (b) authorize Trans World Airlines, Inc., to serve the St. Louis-Tokyo (Narita) market under the first new entrant opportunity and allocate it seven weekly frequencies for this service, (c) authorize Hawaiian Airlines, Inc., for services in the Maui-Tokyo (Narita) market commencing January 1, 2000, using the second new entrant opportunity and allocate it seven weekly frequencies for this service; and (d) allocate the 28 weekly frequencies for U.S. Japan code-share services by U.S. carriers equally to Trans World Airlines for its codeshare services with Delta and to Continental for its code-share services with Northwest Airlines. We will afford interested parties ten days to object to our tentative decisions and seven calendar days for replies to any objections filed. Also, the Department has decided, by final action in this order, to allocate 21 weekly frequencies available for beyond-Japan code-sharing services to Continental Airlines and Northwest Airlines for services beyond Japan to Seoul, Korea (or, alternatively, Taipei, Taiwan) Singapore and Bangkok, Thailand. Objections due March 26, 1998. Answers to Objections due April 2, 1998. Served March 16, 1998

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98-3-16	OST-97-2114 OST-96-1250 OST-96-1146 OST-95-110 OST-97-2675 OST-98-3449 OST-96-995 OST-96-986 OST-98-3424 OST-97-2916	APPLICATIONS OF AER TURAS TEORANTA, AIR ARUBA, N.V., COMPANIA PANEMENA DE AVIACION, S.A., JAPAN AIRLINES COMPANY, LTD., JAPAN ASIA AIRWAYS COMPANY, LTD., LINEAS AEREAS PRIVADAS ARGENTINAS, S.A., NIPPON CARGO AIRLINES CO., LTD., PRO AIR CHARTER ARUBA N.V., D/B/A PRO AIR FOR EXEMPTIONS OR AUTHORITIES UNDER 49 U.S.C. SECTION 40109 AND THE ORDERS AND REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: The Department confirms the actions described in the attached Notices of Action Taken, which granted the referenced foreign air carriers (1) exemptions from the provisions of sections 41301, and where necessary 41504, and/or other sections of Title 49 of the u.s. code; and/or (2) relief or authorizations provided for under regulations or orders of the Department, to the applicants to perform the operations described in the attached Notices of Action Taken. To the extent no granted, or explicitly deferred as noted in the attached Notices of Action Taken, these applications are denied. Served March 23, 1998	3-17-98
98-3-17	OST-98-3535 OST-98-3534 OST-98-3507 OST-98-3537 OST-98-3501 OST-98-3499 OST-98-3547 OST-98-3545 OST-98-3536 OST-98-3495	NINETY-DAY NOTICES OF INTENT TO TERMINATE SERVICE AT EUREKA/ARCATA, CALIFORNIA, REDDING/RED BLUFF, CALIFORNIA, DURANGO, COLORADO, GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO, STEAMBOAT SPRINGS/HAYDEN/CRAIG, COLORADO, FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO, BEND/REDMOND, OREGON, RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA, YAKIMA, Continued	3-24-98

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98-3-17	OST-98-3535 OST-98-3534	Continued	3-24-98
	OST-98-3507	WASHINGTON, CASPER, WYOMING,	
	OST-98-3537	JACKSON, WYOMING FILED BY MESA	
	OST-98-3501	AIR GROUP UNDER 49 U.S.C. 41734	
	OST-98-3499	AND 14 CFR 323.3 (A)(5):	
	OST-98-3547	The Department takes no action to prohibit	
	OST-98-3545	Mesa Air Group, d/b/a United Express, from	
	OST-98-3533	suspending service at Durango and Steamboat	
	OST-98-3536	Springs/Hayden/Craig, Colorado; Farmington,	
	OST-98-3495	New Mexico; and Jackson, Wyoming; as of	
		May 18, 1998. The Department takes no action to prohibit Mesa Air Group, d/b/a United Express, from suspending service at Eureka/Arcata and Redding/Red Bluff, California; Grand Junction, Colorado; Yakima, Washington; and Casper, Wyoming; as of May 20 1998. Served March 18, 1998	
98-3-18	OST-98-3615	COMPLAINT OF US AIRWAYS, INC. AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM UNDER 49 U.S.C. SECTION 41310: The Department invites interested persons to file answers to the complaint of US Airways, Inc., Docket OST-98-3615, no later than March 23, 1998, and if answers are filed, replies to those answers should be filed no later than March 25, 1998. Served March 18, 1998 Intervening numbers have not been released.	3-18-98
98-3-21	OST-97-2960 OST-97-2954	ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE AT ALMOSA, COLORADO, NORTH PLATTE,	3-20-98

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	OST-97-2955 OST-97-2958 OST-97-2956 OST-97-2959 OST-97-2981	NEBRASKA, SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA, LARAMIE, WYOMING RIVERTON/LANDER, WYOMING, ROCK SPRINGS, WYOMING, WORLAND, WYOMING: The Department requires Mesa Airlines, d/b/a, United Express, to maintain essential air service at Alamosa, CO, North Platte and Scottsbluff, Nebraska, and Laramie Riverton/Lander, Rock Springs and Worland, Wyoming, as set forth in the Appendix D of Order 97-12-8, for an additional 30-day period through May 1, 1998 (for the first six communities), and May 6, 1998 (for Worland), or until a carrier capable of providing reliable replacement service actually begins service, whichever is first. Served March 26, 1998	

ORDERS NOT RELEASED DURING THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 20, 1998: 98-3-19, 98-3-20